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Electronic Control and Command Course

The United Firefighters Union is aware of a number of courses on offer by the OFRS. In particular the QFRS has asked for "Expressions of Interest" for Station Officers and interested Firefighters for the EIAP/ECC course.

Please be aware that Members who volunteer to do this course may be jeopardising any future negotiations leading up to and including the next round of Enterprise Bargaining. I am aware that a number of members may have already completed this course which I understand was done in good faith.

The "Mercer Report" was about recognising the increased skill levels introduced by the OFRS over a number of years without consideration of payment. It is extremely difficult to ask for increases in the future, if we volunteer to take on these extra skills in the first instance.

The United Firefighters Union does not have a ban in place at this stage, but we would ask that you give due consideration when volunteering to train in and use this type of specialised equipment.

JOHN OLIVER **State Secretary**

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